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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE AFGHAN BROTHER.

SIMLA, May 21.

Reuter's special correspondent at Peshawar says it is impossible to ascertain definitely the fate of the Amir's brother, Nasir Ullah. Frontier opinion inclines to the belief that he died a few days after the new Amir's accession. The Afghans believe he is still alive. As stated the other day, the Amir sent for Nasir Ullah and offered him the throne, saying he himself was going to fight at Khyber in the uniform of a common soldier. Nasir Ullah refused on the ground that Inayat Ullah the late Amir's eldest son, should have been offered this. Nasir Ullah was in command of the Khost army.

Another successful raid was carried out yesterday. Quiet methodical plans are made to continue the war. Miles of laden camels and bullock carts are now passing through the Khyber pass, in addition to motor convoys. Despatch riders are pre-empting a wonderful and romantic sight. There are snipers in the Bazaar valley but they fear to approach the pass.

SIMLA, May 23.

To-day a party of 40 Afghans, including Abdur Rahman Khan, the envoy at Simla, two colonels and other officials of moderate standing, arrived at our lines under a flag of truce. They claimed the Amir's authority to ask for an armistice. They were sent on to Peshawar. They have no letter from the Amir. Facts of importance connected with the party and its mission are that Bibi Hazrat, the Amir's mother, whose influence on Afghan politics is well known, motored to Jallalabad last week. Abdur Rahman is well known to the Indian Government and some of the members of the delegation represent the Afghan army which, according to one theory, controls the Amir. On the other hand it is suspected that the same party are people who are making the armistice proposal an excuse for quitting Afghanistan because their own position is now unsafe. Several indeed frankly said they preferred interment in India rather than a return to their own country. Meanwhile the military situation is that the Afghan plans have failed everywhere. The Afghan rising in Peshawar city which was to coincide with the seizure of the Khyber pass was stopped in time. The Afghans were driven off the mouth of the pass. The enemy next hoped to raise the frontier tribes but with the exception of a few outlaws no Afghans responded, although there was a gathering in the Mohmand country supported by a few Afghan regulars. No lashkar has yet crossed the Karappa pass again after the defeat at Jallalabad. The Afghans hoped to make something of the army in Khost under Nadir Khan. The last gentleman has been running up and down the Kurram frontier, at one moment on the Kurram front, then heard of threatening Tochi. Then a report spread that he is about to lead a force from Ghazni down the Gomul pass. The fact is that Nadir Khan also failed to raise the tribes and the Afghan regulars will not move into the Khost passes till they are certain they have the tribesmen with them. Therefore it is not surprising that the army leaders desire peace. Abdur Rahman was sent across the frontier this morning.

SIMLA, May 24.

Fresh evidence of Bolshevik sympathies with the present regime in Afghanistan are afforded by a striking wireless message transmitted to Moscow by Bolsheviks at Tashkent on May 20 announcing the receipt of two letters from Kabul dated April 7 addressed to the president of the Russian republic. In one the Amir declared that Russia, by raising the standard of Bolshevism, had earned the gratitude of the whole world and he offered the honoured president of the Russian republic the friendly greeting of his friend Aman Ullah. In the other letter Mahmud Tarzi, the Amir's commissary for foreign affairs, expressed the hope that permanent friendly relations between the Bolsheviks and Afghanistan would now be established. The cynicism with which Bolshevism is prepared to turn the most sacred material to its own base uses is made evident by another wireless message transmitted almost simultaneously from Tashkent. It emanates from Bravine who has been entrusted with Bolshevik propaganda in the East and is addressed to the eastern propaganda bureau. It asks that Bakrat Ulla, the renegade Indian whose seditious activities during the war are now notorious, should be pressed to finish his promised pamphlet

on Bolshevism in the Koran and despatch 100,000 printed copies in Persian, Hindustani, and Arabic by special courier.

SIMLA, May 25.

To-day our aeroplanes successfully bombed the munition factories at Kabul, securing seven hits. A large explosion followed. A second raid at Jallalabad was effective, several military buildings being damaged and seen in flames. A tribal lashkar in the Gandao valley was attacked by our aeroplanes and are reported to have scattered northwards.

SIMLA, May 24.

Afghanistan is passing gradually into the hands of Saleh Mahomed, the commander-in-Chief, belonging to the Durpi Poble family. He was trusted and confided in by the late Amir although he finally joined Aman Ullah. He was acquitted of complicity or knowledge of the murder of Habib Ullah. This fact is important because in spite of the Afghan preselection for violent crime, the Amir's murder and the subsequent execution of innocent men caused indignation in Afghanistan. Even the border Pathans were horror struck. The adherence of Saleh Mahomed alone kept Aman Ullah on the throne. It remains to be seen which of these planned the invasion of India. Both seem to have been misled by the internal situation in India. The Afghan postmaster at Peshawar who is well educated but ill balanced and emotional received exaggerated reports from Indian seditionists of the Punjab riots and told the Amir that the time was opportune. It is important to note that members of the peace deputation at Peshawar, although admitting no credentials from the Amir, claim to represent Saleh Mahomed and the Afghan army generally. All say they were ordered to make peace themselves. They are unwilling to return to their own country whatever happens. Profound peace is reported on the Daktar front. The Afghans at Kurram have not crossed Poirwar Kot. There are signs of activity in the Mohmand country where the Mullah Jan Badshah is demonstrating. It is believed he dare not bring his regulars to Karappa pass if they are defeated, as is certain, by our forces. The Shalakar Mohmands would attack them. Jan Badshah is inducing the Mohmands to descend first, keeping the Afghans in reserve behind. The former are unwilling to leave the Afghans unwatched. Afridis and other tribesmen at Jallalabad are looting the bazaar and there has been the same conflict with Afghan troops.

The inhabitants of Ningul have realised that if they abstain from hostile action they have nothing to fear from the presence of our troops or our foraging parties collecting supplies. The villages are bringing in local produce for sale. Two airmen recently forced to land in the Bazaar valley reached Landi Kotal safely. Hostile troops and armed tribesmen recently collecting in the Gandao valley have been bombed by aeroplanes. It is reported that parties of Afridis and other tribesmen who arrived at Jallalabad after our aerial bombardment of the fortifications and barracks on the 21st freely looted the almost deserted city. The troops fled panic-stricken and the looters helped themselves liberally to the unprotected army stores. Nawab Dir repeats his congratulations on the British successes and is confident of the Amir's ultimate ruin. The leading muliks of the important Achakzai tribe at Chaman have assured us of their loyalty.

After the departure of Abdur Rahman the late Afghan envoy across the frontier, his two companions Habib Ullah and Colonel Ahmad Ali who were detained at Peshawar pending the arrival of the British agent from Kabul produced a firman signed by the Amir and dated May 20. "To Habib Ullah and Ahmad Ali. I have been informed by the late Afghan envoy that the foreign secretary of the government of India discussed with him before his departure the question of cessation of war opening the door to peace. I therefore depute and authorise you to go from the battlefield and proceed to the British camp to discuss terms of peace. If you find the ground favourable for peace inform me. In any case do what is necessary and I authorise you take these steps." The delegates were unwilling to explain why they delayed the production of the firman until Abdur Rahman's departure. The explanation probably lies in the fact that the firman was intended for confidential guidance and not for production. Its admission of necessities to discuss terms though the

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ground were unfavourable to peace is hardly the language of recognised credentials. Both men will be put across the frontier and informed that nothing is to add to the written message already handed to the envoy. The Bolshevik wireless in Russian Turkestan continues to furnish interesting sidelights on the new regime in Afghanistan. On May 22 Jutogh station picked up a message emanating apparently from Khashk addressed to all eastern stations announcing the remarkable news: "According to official advices from Kabul Afghanistan is endeavouring mountain tribes frontier with a view to securing exit to the sea and gaining possession of Karachi port."

TARIFF REFORMERS MAKING HAY WHILE SUN SHINES.

COMMONS CHEER CHAMBERLAIN.

LONDON, May 21.

In the House of Commons yesterday, at the second reading of the Finance Bill, Mr. Neil McLean moved its rejection, objecting to the policy of preference and the absence of a levy on capital.

Mr. Chamberlain lengthily combated Liberal criticism regarding imperial preference. He said preference was to inform our whole policy. He insisted that preference would be given in cases where capital was to be expended in one of the Dominions. (Cheers) also that the Government had decided two years ago that purchases on their behalf, if not made in Britain, should be made in the empire overseas rather than in other countries. The Government had recently instructed all departments to give effective preference in government contracts to overseas, both as regards offers to tender and price. (Cheers)

Mr. Chamberlain pointed out that the policy of preference had been hailed with enthusiasm in the West Indies. It was approved in every Dominion. It had obtained friendly recognition by the high Commissioner for Canada, while the people of South Africa were grateful and hopeful. They saw therein an opportunity for the development of their industries. Referring to the criticism that the policy "threw away three millions sterling for nothing," he asked was it nothing to respond to a desire or wish or hope expressed by every colonial at every imperial conference for 15 to 20 years, by overseas representatives? (Cheers) Was it nothing we should at last fall into line with the policy first suggested by a Cape Dutchman and then endorsed by men of every race? The Liberals' real objection was to recognition of the fiscal unity of the empire.

With regards to the demand for a commission of inquiry into the question of a levy on capital, Mr. Chamberlain said the question presented the greatest difficulties and would cause insecurity and fear at a time when we had to face a floating debt for which we must provide.

Mr. Clynes said the working-classes opined that the Budget additionally taxed them and gave the capitalists another fifty millions a year. He ridiculed the idea that preference could affect our relations with the Dominions. The Government could not reward the men of the Dominions by putting into the pockets of certain traders this large amount of money.

The amendment was rejected by 317 to 72.

ATLANTIC FLYERS.

SEARCH FOR HAWKER.

LONDON, May 20.

The Admiralty has ordered the most thorough search to be made for Hawker. A strong force of destroyers and tugs put to sea. Aeroplanes will join them when the fog and rain which are now hampering the search permit. The Air Ministry is adopting measures regardless of expense.

LONDON, May 20.

The N.C. 4 has arrived at Ponta Delgada.

NO NEWS OF HAWKER.

LONDON, MAY 21.

Yesterday in the House of Commons Mr. General Seely said that up to a late hour the War Ministry had no news of Hawker. There was a possibility that the airman had been picked up by a passing vessel without wireless; also that Hawker's wireless may have been injured when his undercarriage dropped. Every available ship and aeroplane has been searching in very adverse weather.

FRENCH HORSE SHOW.

PARIS, May 18.

"Havas" learns a resumption of the Concours Hippique is contemplated, first at Vichy and then at Deauville.

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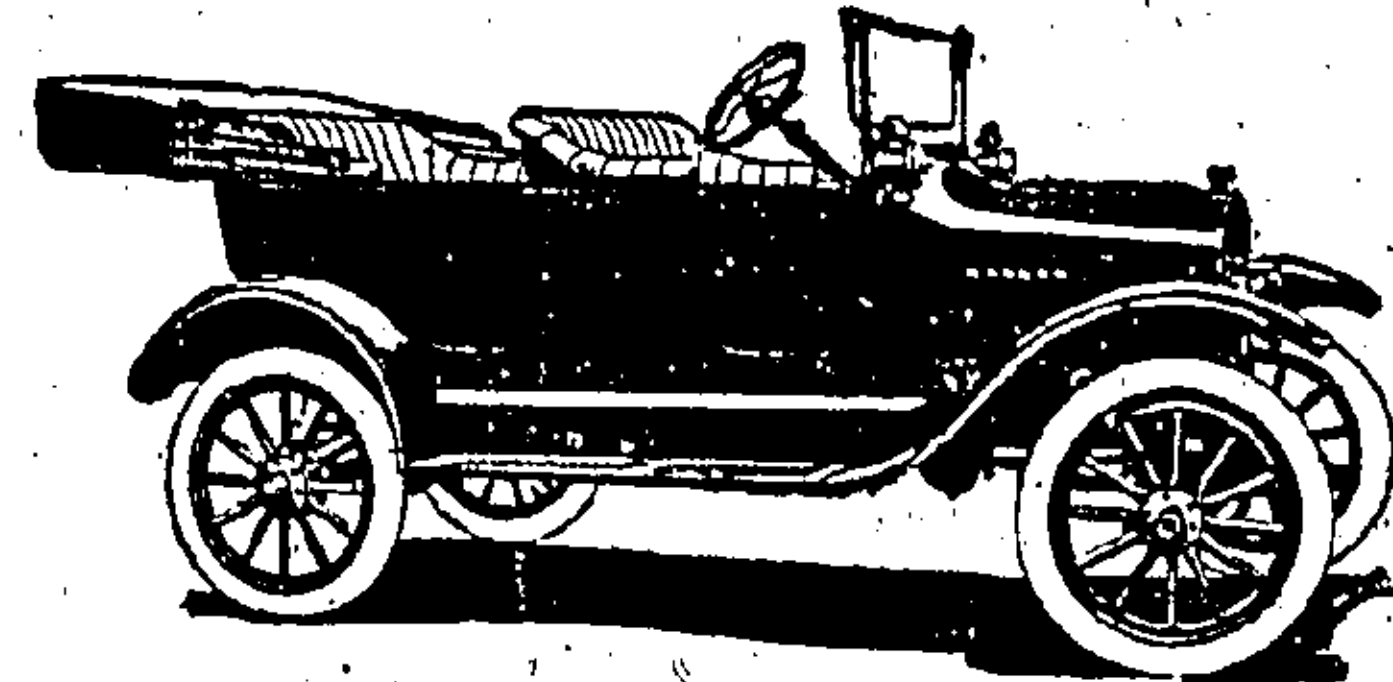
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vases and ornaments,
etc., etc.Teak extension dining table, dinner
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etc., etc.Also
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to 10 a.m.Catalogues will be issued.
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Auctioneer.
Hongkong, May 22, 1919.on
SATURDAY, May 31, 1919,
commencing at 11 a.m.at No. 11 Austin Avenue, Kowloon.
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(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
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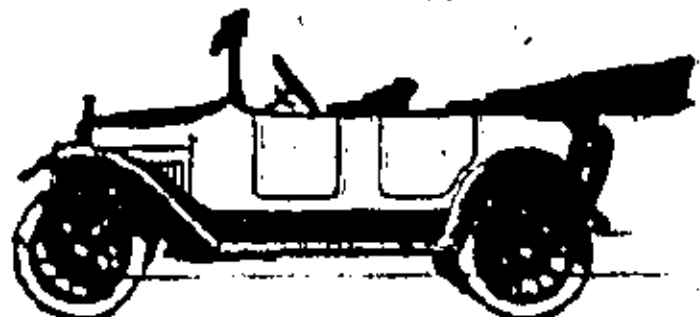
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ston, M.P. for the Central Division of
Portsmouth, said that as the repre-
sentative of the principal naval port,
he appreciated all the points which
had been raised. They were grateful
to the sailor and the marine for their
great services during the war, and
he was delighted to hear the First
Lord speak upon the work those men
had done. In order to show the
gratitude of the Admiralty and the
Navy to these men he hoped they
would treat them liberally on the
question of pay. That was, however,
a question which they could safely
leave to the Admiralty, and he
expressed his strong trust and belief
that justice would be done. The
men wanted to make their own
representation to the Admiralty on
the subject of their grievances, and
the Admiralty were afraid, he
supposed, of rebellion. They made
a mistake, however, and he was
glad that the proposal to take the
men into consultation had come from
the Admiralty themselves.He felt sure that the new system
which had been adopted would meet
with exceedingly satisfactory results.
In Portsmouth he knew the men
were looking forward to this proposal,
and they were prepared to give it a
fair trial. He trusted when the final
report came to the General Commit-
tee that the Admiralty would make
the increased payment retrospective.
It would not be fair were it otherwise,
to keep those men out of their money
so long, because their loyalty to their
country had been beyond all praise,
and they should give to them that
justice which was their due.He understood that the Naval
pensioners had sent a petition to the
Admiralty, signed by some 10,000 of
their number, and they called atten-
tion to the amount of their pensions
and the bonus, and the present
purchasing power of money. He
hoped the Admiralty, with the assist-
ance of the bugbear, the Treasury,
would be able to get over the
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News.]Some of the gentlemen who have
been editing the readers of the
Shanghai newspapers on the subject
of the European war and the partic-
ipants therein, would seem to have
forgotten that the American Govern-
ment also declared war against the
German Government, furnished a
larger number of soldiers for the
battle lines in France, and defended
a longer line of battle than any of the
other Allied nations, except France
herself.In a report to his Government
Marshal Haig writes, that at no time
during the war did he have more
than 900,000 soldiers in France
available for military duty, and that
when the Germans made their last
advance, in March, 1918, the British
army in all France was less than the
actually fighting army of the
enemy.In a recently published statement,
by the American Secretary of War,
it appears that General Pershing had
on duty, on the firing line 1,300,000
American soldiers, and that when
the Armistice was signed the Amer-
ican Army was next to that of
France in available numbers and
strength.In this connection there is no inten-
tion to institute an invidious com-
parison, but rather to submit a
reminder, for the benefit of all con-
cerned, that the American soldier
was really in France during the war,
and in greater numbers than the
soldiers of any other nationality of
the Allied people, except those of the
nation whose soil was invaded.It was graciously admitted by one
writer on this subject, that American
soldiers, did arrive on the battlefield
in time to tip the scales of war
against Germany, but should it not
be known to the well informed, and
candidly admitted, that it was the
advance of the German Army at the
Marne, drove it back across the
river, and thus prevented German
batteries from being favourably
placed to destroy Paris by shell fire?And it is not the soldier with his
rifle that alone wins a war. The sol-
dier must be fed and paid or else he is
soon disabled for fighting and will go
home. Long before the American
Government entered into the war the
Allied nations received their principal
supplies of food and money from
Americans, and if such a source of
supply had not been available, the
war, in the opinion of recognized
authorities, would very probably have
ended in Germany being victorious.
It was the American farmer and
banker who sustained the Allied na-
tions as materially as did their gal-
lant soldiers in the field. The same
authorities have not hesitated to
write, and without the supplies
derived from America the Allied**GERMAN SHIPS GIVEN UP.**On the morning of March 25 the
first of the surrendered mercantile
fleet allocated to Britain arrived in
Leith roads, namely, the *Burgermeister*
von Schroder. The vessel came from
Hamburg, and will be followed by
the *Kigoma* and other ships. Alto-
gether 100 ships are due to come to
Leith in daily batches.Reuters' telegrams received on
March 25 announced the departure
of twenty-six Hamburg steamers
from Cuxhaven and several others
from Bremen. A steamer with 7,000
tons of fine wheat is expected to
arrive at Hamburg.Two large ships of the German
mercantile marine, the *Cleveland* and
Patricia, which have been handed
over by Germany, have arrived at
Coxes Bay, the American flag.
Others are expected daily. The
ships are lying anchored in Coxes
Roads in charge of three United
States destroyers.armies could not have kept the field
longer than a year, nor could Ad-
miral Beatty have safeguarded the
seas with the magnificent navy he
commanded.The often repeated reminder that
American soldiers could not have
reached France at all without the
aid of British ships, is wholly
unnecessary. Americans know that,
when war was declared, their
Government was in need of ships,
but the British ships were never
better employed for the safety of
Britain than when transporting
American soldiers to France. The
statistics, however, show that 43 per
cent of the soldiers were transported
in American ships, and that the
passage money of every soldier
carried in ships of other nationalities
was agreed upon and paid by the
American Government.That Government has neither
asked for, nor accepted, gratuitous
assistance, and is not in the habit
of constantly parading in the public
prints any special services it may
have rendered to a cause in which
all engaged fought with equal valour
and such splendid heroism. But if
any single achievement of the Amer-
ican Army was to be named, its skillful
marshalling and intrepid bearing at
the battle of the Argonne Woods would
appear to merit exceptional mention.
It was there that an American
Army, of greater numbers than had
ever before been seen on a battlefield
under the American flag, was mar-
shalled by General Pershing in units
which enabled him to out-number the
Germans on every part of the field
and to drive them to defeat. In re-
porting the battle, General Pershing
states that "if the signing of the
Armistice had been delayed three
days he would have captured the
German Army of 500,000 men, and
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military strategists.

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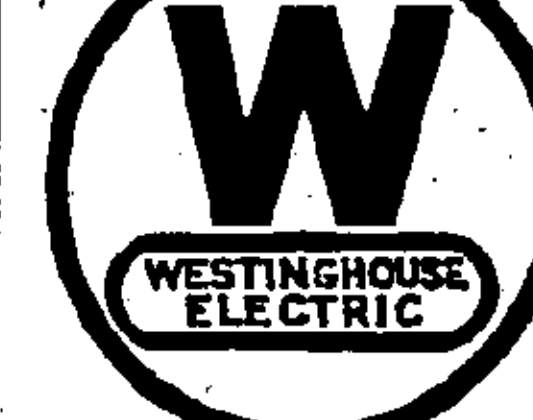
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Hongkong, May 26, 1919.

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(Sgd.) JOHN LAMBERT,
Lloyd's Register of Shipping,
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further extraordinary meeting, at
which they propose to move resolu-
tions.

Removing the present board,
with the exception of Mr. Arthur
Collins, who holds under an
agreement with 25 years to run.
Accepting Mr. Oswald Stoll's
offer as finally amended.

In a circular accompanying the
form of requisition the committee
deals at length with the various
negotiations since its appointment,
and states that on Feb. 11 it advised
the board to accept Mr. Stoll's offer
in its then shape. A discussion on
details was adjourned, and it is stated
that, after telephoning saying that
they would postpone a decision until
after again meeting the committee,
the board did not postpone their
decision, but passed a resolution
accepting Mr. Alfred Butt's offer
without consulting the committee
or disclosing it to them. When
therefore, the circular adds, the
committee met the board, it was
faced with an accomplished fact.

"Our committee prefer to let
the facts speak for themselves with-
out further comment from them,
but they think it is for the share-
holders to decide. In any event
your committee's activities up to date
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of Mr. Alfred Butt and Messrs. Stoll
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and beg to report that we are of
opinion that Messrs. Stoll and
Gulliver's offer is the better one for
the following reasons:

"Advantages of Messrs. Stoll and
Gulliver's offer: (1) Messrs. Stoll and
Gulliver provide new capital for the
company, viz., £15,625, as against

Sir Alfred Butt providing nothing.
(2) They guarantee the dividends
for two years on the Seven
per Cent. Cumulative Preference
shares and on the Seven per
Cent. Preferred Ordinary shares,
being £13,125 per annum, against no
guarantee of any dividend by Sir
Alfred Butt's offer. The profits for
the last financial year were £45, when
a debit balance of £617 was brought
down to £574, no dividend having
been paid for two years. (3) No
charge is made for the remuneration
of Messrs. Stoll and Gulliver for
salary, and against the charge for
salary on behalf of Messrs. Butt and
Collins in any event. (4) The Pre-
ferred shareholders will be paid
their dividends (guaranteed for the
first two years) before Messrs. Stoll
and Gulliver can receive any dividend
on their Ordinary shares representing
the new capital provided by them
for the company.

"Disadvantages of Sir Alfred
Butt's offer: (1) No guarantee of
dividends, as in Messrs. Stoll and
Gulliver's offer. (2) No new capital
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(3) £1,000 remuneration for Sir
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to Evelyn Mary Helsby of
Watford.

The China Mail.

TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MAY 27, 1919.

ANOTHER ANANIAS.

Let us be quick and say that this time we mean Ananias the High Priest, not Ananias the liar. We have before us a letter from an Army Officer which reminds us of the speech of Tertullus to Felix, which you may read for yourselves in the 24th chapter of the Acts of the Apostles. It is quite clear that he finds the *China Mail* "a pestilent fellow, and a mover of sedition." Like Paul, we are ready with a "cheerful answer." By this we confess that after the way which they call heresy, so we believe. Were it not that it affords a peg on which to hang some apparently very necessary observations, we would have ignored the letter, out of our tenderness toward the writer, who is well known to us as one of God's simpletons. He has yet to learn that his opinions on any subject whatever are absolutely unimportant to anybody but himself. We know him well, and we know that this plain speaking will not hurt him, for his is the most pachydermatous conceit we have ever seen in a human being. His mind is practically undeveloped, and if he had been a bit older, he would almost certainly have been a normal member of the War Office. He has never done anything to hurt our feelings more than when he has condescended occasionally to approve and even to praise some of our writings. How to make him see, without being rude, that economy by the ignorant are the most galling of insults, was our problem. It was never solved. "Dear Anti-Imperialist" is the way he addresses us in his covering chit, which itself deserves quotation:

"Here's a chit about your beloved Police Reservists."
[Will it be believed that we don't even know that Police Reservists by sight, and have never been in communication with him?]
"The Army for Ever, from the M. down to the Private in the rear rank. They are it."
One would think from that that we had been quarrelling with the army. We haven't, as will be seen when we come to that part of the letter, which begins:

Onlookers see most of the game, and from an onlooker's point of view the recent attitude taken by yourselves and the majority of your reading public is very funny. It depends on the onlooker how much of the game he sees. We shall have thrown some light on the visual crookedness of this onlooker, we trust, before we have done with him. His trouble is paraphimosis of the mind. He goes on:

Let us see exactly what did happen. A man who volunteers to do a certain amount of war work for the country he lives in, and under whose protection he is able to enjoy perfect liberty—what is he called upon to do? A few patrols and give up a little of his spare time without pay. He is asked to conform to the rules and regulations which are founded upon those of a regular force.

Let us pause there a moment. We will pass the "perfect liberty" opening, because it is too cheap. We will pass the obvious comment that this belittlement of Police Reserve duties puts the Police Reserve penalties into the position of a glaring contrast. We will take the observation that the Police Reserve rules and regulations are "founded upon those of a regular force," and ask if this is not a too sublimely bland way of slurring over the gravamen. The Police Reserves are not a regular force. They are irregularly called into existence by irregular circumstances, and the nuclear marrow of all our comments was that they should not be treated like regulars—especially as they get all the kicks and no ha-pence.

But let "Imperialist" carry on. He fails to do so. He is consequently fined or given a punishment which is not strictly according to Hoyle.

So? He admits that much? Well, that's something. The letter continues:

Then there is an outcry of injustice, and as you put it in your editorial, "they are treated like soldiers." It is obvious from the general tone of your articles that you are bitterly opposed to the army system. But, Mr. Editor, if it had not been for the army your paper would not be enjoying that wonderful freedom it does today.

Well, well. One must have a lot of patience in teaching the callow. Let us very patiently and painstakingly, in the best kindergarten style, using words of only one syllable so far as possible, answer this fool according to his folly. (More intelligent readers may skip this part.)

You are quite right. We are opposed to the army system. We want our brave men to be treated like men. We wish them to have more pay and to be led by

men with brains and not to be bullied and tied with Red Tape. But we are not bitter about this; but we are tired. Why tell us that our freedom is due to the army? Would not an army that was treated right have won it for us too? Go and read a lot and try to think, dear child, and then come again. The letter continues:

Look at it from a sane point of view, please. What finer thing can a man say today than I have been a soldier of our great Empire?

Perhaps the suggestion that we are insane is well based. We have sometimes wondered. We will forgive it. His rhetorical question is easily answered. A finer thing for a man to say is that he has been a good soldier of a greater Empire—a soldier who can be disciplined without being made into a mindless machine, and fighting for an Empire founded on the righteousness that exalteth "Imperialist" goes on:

And having been in a semi-military organization in a very safe and humble capacity, a man sneaks out, through the inexperience and unfortunately lack of judgment on the part of other voluntary workers, on a petty technicality, from a punishment which no doubt he richly deserves. Let him take his punishment and not work the injured hero idea on an unsuspecting public.

Now, is that "exactly what did happen"? It is not. That is not the sort of description of the events that should have been written by an officer and a gentleman. It contains the meanest of mean innuendoes. It is also stupid from an onlooker's point of view.

In the first place the Police Reserves should not be regarded as "semi-military." In the second place, he knows little of Hongkong who thinks a policeman's job here any less heroic than a soldier's. With armed Chinese all about, desperadoes who regard life as cheaply as the Germans did, a Hongkong policeman is not "in a very safe and humble capacity." Indeed, there are many *pukka* soldiers strutting round now with decorations on them that have smelt far less powder than our policemen have. The sneer was as unjust as it was unworthy. In the third place, why does this onlooker think that Mr. Guimaraes "no doubt richly deserved" his punishment. What does he know of the facts? Here's a hint. A man who cannot think of deserving apart from "richly" hasn't the sort of mind that will ever judge anything justly. It is the mind of a parrot, which remembers something of what it has heard, but does not ratiocinate of its own. This is an almost infallible test. It is not a mere question of literary style. The slave to the *chit*, the habitual user of the ready-made phrase is never a thinker. Compare this reference to Mr. Guimaraes "sneaking" out on a technicality with the opinion in one of the letters in another column (written by a European gentleman of culture) that he has "served to ventilate a real grievance." The letter still goes on:

Just one word, and that is you apparently have not much use for Courts Martial and army discipline. But from practical experience you can find no fairer tribunal in the world. Apparently you, leader-writer, knows nothing of the army, otherwise he would not use the phrase "treated like soldiers" in such a contemptuous manner.

Courts martial at present are not the fairest tribunals in the world, as every soldier knows. They are even now being reformed, and the House of Commons was recently greatly moved by a recital of some war-time cases of what looked like injustice. We haven't much use for army discipline as it is regarded by the hum type of officer. Two of our staff have served in the army, and a staff mental calculation shows us that a leader writer (who has numerous close relatives and friends in the army) must have been familiar with garrison life while this critic was still imbibing his sustenance at the nipple. Officer though he be, we claim to know more of the British Army, both at home and abroad, than he does.

So, by the way, does Kipling, who is not a soldier. How about the onlooker seeing most of the game, now that it doesn't suit his argument? As we said before, much depends on the quality of the onlooker. What does he mean by our "contemptuous manner"? We are contemptuous of the treatment of soldiers, certainly, because we don't think it good enough. But if he means that we have ever written a word that was or could excusably be mistaken for a contempt of "their morale," of their marvellous courage and patience and endurance, we tell him flatly that in that case he is an impertinent jackanapes with whom our patience is exhausted. Here is the last of his letter:

The British Empire is due to the actions of men whom (sic) have been soldiers and not whined and crawled when they have broken a few rules and regulations. P.S. Bye (sic) the way, how many Police Reservists were fit for Active Service?

Yours truly
IMPERIALIST.

Quaint, Imperialist, isn't he? We do not suppose that any further comment is required. Let's get on to something else.

Now is the time.
FOR rheumatism you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Pain Balm. Now is the time to get rid of it. Try this liniment and see how quickly it will relieve the pain and soothe the keener.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar is worth 3s. 6 7/16d.

If Mr. Chan Poehang cares to call at the *China Mail* office, 4 to 5 p.m., the Assistant Editor has something that should interest him. We have lost his address.

Sir Ellis Kadoorie returned to the Colony by the *Neuraka* this morning.

Taikoo Dockyard has been losing stuff lately. A Chinese has lost a month's liberty over it.

Methuena announce a new Kipling book, a volume of poems entitled "The Years Between."

To-day's return covers 48 hours and shows six cases of plague, one of diphtheria, one of smallpox, and two of C.S. fever.

With the May issue of our contemporary *Religio e Patria*, the review enters into its sixth year of service. Felicitations.

Mr. Lindsell has decided in a case today that the owners of a case today are responsible if they do not prevent unlicensed coolies from pulling them.

Inspector Kent thought that 34 rattle chairs made too big an obstruction in Wanchai Road. The Magistrate agreed, and said it would cost the Chinese owner \$3.

Yesterday's return shows five cases of plague. The return for the week showed 41 cases of plague, (37 deaths) one of diphtheria, one of enteric, one of smallpox, and nine of C.S. fever.

Captain J. H. Tiltman, K.O.S.B., Captain E. G. Eastman, 25th Mid., Lieut. G. R. Fleming, 74th Punjab, and Lieut. C. H. Welchman, 18th Infantry, are going home by the *Neuraka* on Thursday.

Coming out of a Kowloon godown with two tins of preserved pineapple, somebody stopped him and handed him a lemon. Magistrate Hutchison charged him \$10 for the lot. If he doesn't pay he'll be out in a fortnight.

The Hongkong Tramway Company's traffic receipts for the week were \$14,300, or \$358 more than in the same week last year. The aggregate for the 21 weeks was \$297,181, or \$16,233 more than for the corresponding period of 1918.

The P. W. D. is prosecuting a contractor for obstructions in a yard in Wing Lok Street. Mr. E. Davidson was ready to admit some obstruction, but he denied that a table mentioned was covered by the word "etc." in the bylaw. The point will be argued on June 2.

Next Thursday is the Festival of the Ascension of Christ. There will be a Choral Celebration of the Holy Communion in St. John's Cathedral at 7.45 a.m. and a plain Celebration at 11 a.m. Masses will be said at 10.30 a.m. and Evensong will be sung at 6.30 p.m.

The projected pilgrimage to the island of San Chao, the resting place of the pioneer saint, John de Assis, will not take place this month, as announced by the November issue of the *Religio e Patria* on account of His Lordship, the Rev. Bishop of Canton's sudden departure for Peking.

An important work on *Current Finance*, by Professor H. S. Foxwell, will be among the earlier publications of Messrs. Macmillan & Co. The book deals with questions of the highest national importance at the present time, for the various papers raised by the war, or to problems which have gained new interest and urgency in view of the financial reconstructions which the war has made inevitable.

Principles of Citizenship, by Sir Henry Jones, Professor of Moral Philosophy in the University of Glasgow, is a little volume that should make a special appeal to many readers, though it was written primarily for use in Army Educational Classes. The author believes that there are few, if any, things better worth knowing than the principles of citizenship, or the knowledge of which at the present time is more urgent. He has therefore endeavored to "introduce" the subject. That is to say, he has tried to awaken and foster the spirit of honest, courageous, and persevering inquiry in this domain, and to place the reader at a point of view from which inquiry is most likely to be fruitful. Messrs. Macmillan & Co. will publish this book.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

THE POLICE RESERVES.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Dear Sir,—The granting of a *Bulle Absolue* for a writ of Habeas Corpus in the recent case of William Guimaraes appears to have called forth an unnecessary amount of correspondence in the Press. The real position is, therefore, in all probability entirely unappreciated by the general public, the natural tendency of indiscreet correspondence being towards misrepresentation on the one side and acrimony on the other. What really happened was this. A force which was wonderfully organized and equipped, but composed of a cosmopolitan community, began after the armistice, inevitably, with the controlling influence and personality of its organizer removed, to "drift." With Mr. Jenkins's scolding touch gone, the stringent knowledge that the war was still on, modified by the Armistice, the hundred grievances which had been borne with good humour and some grumbling became accentuated. With a force constituted of such heterogeneous elements, the discontent which had long been borne in silence broke out. The method of awarding punishments had as little been wrong, and inconsistent with every conceivable system, military or civil, other than that of Prussia.

The Punishment Officer, Mr. Franks, is an expert from England in managing criminals undergoing varying sentences of imprisonment and hard labour, and his methods were hardly those to be applied to a mixed body of men of varying nationalities. Add to this that some of the soldier men in the Police Reserve are drawn from the Jail Wardens and the Government Service and you can see the result. *Quis custodiet ipsos custodes?* Mr. Guimaraes probably does not wish to pass as a hero, and probably could not do so except in the eyes of those who write to the Press hysterically. But whether he was supported by voluntary contributions or not, it does not alter the fact that he has served to ventilate a real grievance.—Yours, etc.,

NON TALIONIS.

[*Pace tanti viri*, our esteemed correspondent must not expect us to agree that all that correspondence was "unnecessary," nor that after all our own efforts the real position was "entirely unappreciated." Still, we are glad to publish his letter, for it is certainly a strong justification of much we said. We dislike most his description of the personal as heterogeneous. We hope, indeed we know, that he didn't really mean that. He is above race prejudice. Men, whatever their differences of colour or creed or habit are homogeneous, not heterogeneous, and the strongest desire we have is to see wider recognition of this fact. It will make such a difference to those who come after us. Please note that this gentleman, who really knows what he talks about, says the method of awarding punishments in the Police Reserves was Prussian. Doesn't that dispose of the suggestion that we had raised a storm in a teacup? *Pacem multo plebiscio placitum est.*—Ed. C.M.]

POLICE RESERVISTS.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Dear Sir,—I owe you an apology for having in my correspondence under the above heading in your issue of Saturday last inadvertently done you an injustice in alluding it as your opinion that Mr. Hough was prejudiced, and trust you will regard it with an indulgent eye, attributing it not to my inability nor unwillingness to read you correctly but to the fact that my faculty of comprehension was deplorably and lamentably impaired in my indignation to see a gentle and patriotic citizen who does his little bit gratuitously for the country as a police reservist so inconsiderately subjected to injustice and rudeness.

Surely, Mr. Editor, Mr. Hough could more creditably to himself and the Board of Discipline of which he was a sitting member have respectfully and decorously discharged his judicial functions without passing uncalled for or irrelevant remarks which so provoked general indignation that one could almost have preferred to have seen Mr. Guimaraes thrashed by a groom and his assistants at the Race Course for he could then have given vent to his own passion in turn, provided, of course, that the groom was not in the uniform of an Assistant Superintendent of Police at the time.—Yours, etc.,

J. M. GUTIERREZ.

Hongkong, May 25, 1919.

THE POLICE RESERVISTS.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—Your leading article in Friday's issue has earned for you the gratitude and appreciation of all the subordinate ranks of the force, except of course the favoured few. In you we recognise the Champion of the cause of the subordinate ranks, and to you we doff our hats.

Your suggestion to the Government to release us—to return to us the liberty which we have lost—has lifted our hearts for our very spirits have been crushed by the tight-fisted lack of organization and management displayed by the Upper Ranks and by the Prussian manner of building us into submission. This is all very well in Germany where the military element predominated, but is it right, is it just that it should pervade a force organized for the purpose of crushing such an undesirable element from conquering the world? *A fortiori*, is it right to restrain our liberty when liberty is triumphant all over the world?

I expect Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Franks and Mr. Hough to say that it is necessary that the force be maintained, because we are performing a useful public service by supervising the searching on the wharves. Is this their opinion, I beg to point out, with all deference, that they are labouring under a delusion. The search supervising by the Reserves is nothing but a *farce*, and it will never be anything more than that. Perhaps it will be said that it is not right or proper for me to suppose the work we do, but are we to keep lying low when we know and believe that we are doing nothing, absolutely nothing, on the wharves, except perhaps assisting in an ostentatious display of uniforms? Is Mr. Jenkins or Mr. Franks or Mr. Hough qualified to say that we are doing useful work on the wharves and to impose all kinds of restrictions on us when they have never done such work and undergone the same privations?

However, assuming that the argument that we are performing a necessary service will prevail, can it be said for a moment that the Reserves cannot spare one man to relieve another? I am sure every one will be surprised to hear that only one regular is required to relieve us, nevertheless this is true. I will now give you details to prove it.

	Regular
Nos. 1 & 2 Wharves (Export)	1
Nos. 3 & 4 Wharves (Export)	1
Nos. 5 & 6 Wharves (Export)	1
Import General	1
Total	4

The above details prove that in all four regulars are required for the supervising work. There are now and there always were three regulars on the job viz, Sergis, Fallon, Mason and Shannon, and it is obvious, therefore, that with another regular transferred to wharf duties the whole force of the Reserves can be demobilized.

In the face of the above particulars can it be argued for a moment that we are so essential to the Peace of the Colony as to make it necessary that we be kept on? Then, why are we not demobilized?—Yours, etc.,

A SUBORDINATE.

A DESERVING CHARITY.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Dear Sir,—There have been no more thoroughgoing sightseers in these isles during the last five years than the men from overseas, who have helped so splendidly in winning the Empire's battles; and, characteristically, they have not confined themselves to the conventional round. A New Zealander, paying his first visit to London, asked me where he should go to see "a dinkum slum," and I think most of us here have had similar inquiries in varying phraseology from citizens of all parts of the Empire.

Men born and bred overseas have usually a great deal about English slumdom, but the disagreeable reality in every case surpassed their worst imaginings. In a way I am glad of this, for I feel that it means that the Fresh Air Fund has enlisted so many thousands of "travellers," who will spread far and wide the news of the great work it has done and has still to do.

The F.A.F. is the good fairy of the children of the slums. During the summer months, when it is only natural for every city dweller to pine for the fresh air and freedom of the country, it transports these little folk from the overcrowded tenement houses which are their homes and the narrow, stifling alleys which are their playground and takes them to green fields and woods and sandy beaches—delights with which many of them have never become acquainted before. Of such was the little girl who was led by a kindly hostess to the cliff edge to get her first glimpses of the sea; and after surveying it dispassionately for a few moments she turned to her companion and observed—I regret to report—in a most matter of fact way: "Ell of a lot of rain you've 'ad 'ere lately, missus!"

The war has necessarily curbed the activities of the F.A.F.; but now the time is right when we can once more say "Full steam ahead!" After these past years the kiddies need their holidays more than ever before. Air raids, shortage of food, anxiety over loved ones—so many of whom will never return—all these have added to the strain. And we are going to make a very big effort indeed to ensure a holiday for all motherless children and orphans of soldiers in this, the first summer of the Great Peace.

THE "TARZAN" PICTURE.

The Coronet Theatre sold all the seats it had for the two shows yesterday, at which the "Tarzan" picture was the sole attraction. At the after dinner show many people had to be turned away. The theatre people, believing that this exceptional picture deserved exceptional treatment, went to the trouble of decorating walls and ceiling with palm fronds. It was effective enough, but the reporter who announced before-hand that the theatre had been "tumbled into a jungle" seems to have disappointed some. Heaven knows what they expected to see, but one said: "How-how. Is this supposed to be a tropical jungle? How-how?" and another (who looked as if he might have been born in a jungle) said it was tomfoolery. All who enter for the public know how difficult it is to give satisfaction. It is impossible to please men like that.

Now for some straight talk about the picture. We are not going to puff it, and we are not going to say it isn't remarkable and well worth seeing. In places it irritated us, and we longed for release to go over to the States and tell those producers what to avoid. The justification of Durwin's name with that of the quick Garner (who pretended to have found vocabularies in monkey speech) irritated us, as did also the mimic repeating the apparently unkillable error that Durwin said men are descended from monkeys. "Ex-4 limited" was not an improved spelling of "exited," and the larger "apes" in the picture, being taken from a human, should have come in only where the story needed them. To obtrude a fake unnecessarily in such a good picture was a grave error. These were the chief faults. Now for the good points. The photography is splendid. The jungle scenes are fine. The animal studies seem wonderful. You see crocodiles, an enormous python, monkeys (real), a clever chimpanzee, a group of lionesses, a leopard, an elephant, and the most realistic approach to a fight between a real lion and a mimic man that is ever likely to be screened. Presumably a "quick change" occurred between the leap on the living lion and the stabbing of the dead one. However it was done, it was a clever effect. As for the story itself, it is foolish to the scientist but old and well loved by the people. Romance needs to be loyal to possibility. The immediate application of all this is, go and see it. You'll have your money's worth.

A TERRIBLE EARTHQUAKE.

30,000 KILLED.

The following telegram was received by the J.C.S.L. from their Sourabaya office yesterday morning and will no doubt interest our readers:—

"Most terrible eruption volcano Klot occurred night twentieth border craterlake gave very severe places causing streams lost and destroying part residence (province). Kediri several villages miles town. Military seriously damaged spot extensive to midget, coffee sugar estates ricefields cannot be estimated yet number deaths reported over thirty thousand inclusive many Europeans."

Fifteen pence will give one child a happy day in the country with plenty of good food and jolly games. Fifteen shillings pays for a fortnight's holiday in the country or by the sea and in the case of many children this health-giving break has proved the turning point of their lives. £13 fits out a complete day party of two hundred children with the necessary grown up attendants and such an outing may be known by any name that the donor desires. Do you think there could be any better way of keeping green the memory of a dear one who has fallen in the war?

The King is Patron of the F.A.F. and a generous annual subscriber. I ask our friends overseas to follow his lead. All money received is spent directly on the children; office expenses, stationery, postage and so forth, all these are borne by the Promoters, Messrs. C. Arthur Pearson, Limited, and the Shaftesbury Society. The children are selected from the slums of all the great cities of the United Kingdom. Having had considerable experience of the grit and persistence of the overseas strain during the past few years, I feel sure you will be in sympathy with me when I add that the F.A.F. will never rest content until it has widened its scope to such an extent that every slum child who is in need of a holiday gets it. In the twenty-seven years of our existence we have sent nearly four million children for a day's outing and just on fifty thousand for a fortnight; but I'm afraid there are many millions still waiting. Will you do your bit towards seeing that at least one of these is not left behind?

Subscriptions should be addressed to:—
Mr. Ernest Kessel, Hon. Secy.,
Poston's Fresh Air Fund,
224-8-9, Gt. Portland Street,
London, W.1.
England.
Yours faithfully,
ARTHUR PEARSON.

TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
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PEACE.

GERMANS RESPONSIBLE.

PARIS, May 20.
The Austrians' peace terms will be practically on the same lines as those for the Germans. It is expected they will be presented early next week. The Allied reply to the Rantzau Note regarding responsibility for the war and reparation has been handed to Count Rantzau. It drew attention to the impossibility of dissociating responsibility and reparation. Therefore as reparation is admitted, responsibility is involved. It points out that the Germans had not objected to the Lansing Note of Nov. 5 containing an indictment of German aggression, and emphasises that the German people cannot renounce their responsibility for the actions of the former German government.

BOLSHEVIST WAR.

LONDON, May 20.
The War Office announces a message from Murmansk yesterday to the effect that Poyenets, at the northern extremity of Lake Onega, was occupied by the Russians before the evacuating Bolshevists had removed all males over fourteen; also all steamers and launches, but the lake is ice-bound, therefore the vessels cannot get far away.

THE PRINCE.

LONDON, May 20.
Reuter is authorized to announce that the Prince of Wales will visit Canada this year. It is expected he will leave England in August and formally open the new parliament buildings at Ottawa.

ANOTHER ATLANTIC ATTEMPT.

LONDON, May 20.
It is expected that a big British airship will shortly attempt to fly from England direct to New York.

COST OF THE WAR.

LONDON, May 20.
In the House of Commons at question time Mr. Chamberlain stated that the net cost of the war to the United Kingdom up to March 31 was about £6,700,000,000.

EXCESS PASSENGERS.

Before Captain Basil Tait, R.N., the case was resumed at the Marine Court this morning. Fan Yee, master of steamship *Kang Hong* was charged with unlawfully carrying 139 passengers in excess of the number allowed by the launch's licence.

Mr. P. W. Goldring appeared for the defendant.

P.C. R.G. Butcher, H. K. P. gave evidence that on May 8 while on duty in a police launch he was passing through Fo Tau Man when he stopped defendant's launch. With assistance of defendant he counted the passengers. There were 102 on the upper deck, 112 between decks, and four in the engine room, a total of 218 including crew. The launch was coming to Hongkong. By licence the launch can carry 79 passengers including crew outside local trade limits.

By Mr. Goldring—The time was 7.15 p.m. The witness said he allowed the launch to get into smooth water before stopping her.

Mr. Goldring addressed the court for defence.

Captain Tait imposed a fine of \$100 with the alternative of 3 weeks, H. L. The fine was paid.

SCHOOL-BOYS IN COURT.

It is alleged that three students of St. Stephen's College were caught breaking flowers recently, by a watchman of the Botanical Gardens. He arrested two of them. The third ran away. Lt. Col. Chapman, acting Superintendent of the Gardens prosecuted before Mr. R. E. Lindsell when the boys were brought up for trial.

A further charge of offering bribes to the watchman to give them their freedom was also preferred against the defendants.

On an application from Mr. C. Bulmer Johnson (of Messrs. Denny and Bowley) defendants were remanded on bail till June 5.

Mr. R. C. Wittell, a sanitary board inspector, has just returned to the Colony. Mr. Wittell went home a year ago to join up.

Mr. R. Lapsley, an employee of Kowloon Dock Company, has come back to Hongkong. Mr. Lapsley went home to join the Army in 1914 and has seen a lot of fighting.

Cotton Shipped per MacKinnon, MacKinnon & Co., agents P. & O. S. M. Co. per s.s. *Dikara* which sailed on May 24 included 65 bales Raw "30", 500 cases, cassia buds, and 200 bales cassia for London; two tons silk goods and two cases printing silk for Gibraltar; 252 bales of P. & O. S. M. Co. for Lyons; and 93 bales of Raw Silk for Marseille.

THE "NEURALIA."

STORY ABOUT THE SHIP.

The B.I. steamer *Neuralia*, on Government service, arrived in harbour this morning at 0830 from Shanghai.

Ron. Mr. E. V. D. Barr, principal of MacKinnon, McKenzie & Co., local agents, visited the ship on arrival to carry out an inspection of her.

The *Neuralia* brought about 200 adults and 70 children from Northern ports, all homeward bound. By a coincidence almost identical numbers are leaving Hongkong, the figures being 200 adults and 71 children. Among local residents departing are Mrs. G. F. Nightingale and family, Mrs. P. D. Wilson and Mrs. W. A. Butterfield and family. About 60 military are going home for demobilization, under the command of Captain J. H. Thompson King's Own Scottish Borderers. They are also on naval ratings going.

This morning a *China Mail* man had a run round the ship. Very adequate arrangements appear to have been made to ensure a comfortable voyage for the passengers. There are about 30 smart-looking R.A.M.F.C. soldiers who are working as waiters. These were medical cadets on the outward voyage and are assisting in the saloons on the homeward trip.

There are two sittings for all meals. Early morning tea, coffee, etc., is from 6 to 7. Breakfast is at 8 for the first sitting and at 9 for the second. Lunch is at 12 noon and 1 o'clock, dinner at 6 and 7. The children will take their meals in the dining saloon annex at the same time as the first sitting.

Looking around the ship the nice white enamel and mahogany colour scheme is noticeable. It looks new, nice and clean.

The two smoke rooms are comfortable places, and so are the music and writing rooms. The music room boasts a nice baby grand piano and the library an upright grand. There are two dining rooms and what will interest parents will be the knowledge that there is a children's playroom. The latter is used also as a school. School hours are at 10 a.m. and a clergyman undertakes the teaching. This will be carried on all through the voyage if supported by the parents.

Children will not be allowed on the main deck. Parents are asked to co-operate with the ship's officers in measures adopted for the general welfare of the passengers.

The cabins, bathrooms, etc., are the picture of cleanliness. There is no room for sensational complaints as described in connection with the *Marconia*. Given fair weather, and a little friendliness among the passengers, a few congenial spirits of both sexes to organise games, etc., on board, and a happy passage is assured. In any case the ship's accommodation and appointments are above all excepting criticism.

ARREST ON "NEURALIA."

When the *Neuralia* dropped anchor this morning, a Police launch came alongside and officials came aboard. They were evidently on the look out for somebody and after enquiries and searching among the passengers, a Chinese was arrested and taken to the Central Station. It appears that the arrested man is wanted by the Shanghai Police in connection with a charge of embezzlement.

Passengers said they understood it is a big embezzling case.

Accused will appear before the Magistrate shortly.

SHAREBROKERS' CASE IN BRITISH COURT.

There was a further hearing before Sir Haviland de Sautermont in the British Supreme Court recently of the case brought by the Shanghai Sharebrokers' Association against Mr. J. A. Hayes, in which misapplication of securities of the plaintiff company is claimed through their having been put in control of F. J. d'Almeida, a member of the Association.

There was considerable argument as to the exact status of the case, the court at the last session having directed that the defendant should give notice of the proceedings to certain other persons said to have been involved in the transaction. Since the beginning of the action the names of Messrs. J. M. S. Burr, E. H. Shillbeth, A. Lyons, A. J. Hargreaves and Mr. H. A. Meyer also appeared in court. All of these are British subjects. Others who were among the Association officials at the time are non-British and regarding these the court said that it did not see how it could make an order.

After considerable further discussion Sir Haviland made the following order:

The question of the liability of the defendant to the new parties to be tried at the trial of the action, but after the determination of the rights of the plaintiffs and defendants and that the added parties, on such determination have liberty to apply for delivery of a statement of claim.

Mr. H. P. Wilkinson appeared for the plaintiffs, Mr. D. McNeill for Mr. Hayes and Messrs. E. W. Godfrey and J. O. Priestwood represented the defendants.

LOCAL PEACE CELEBRATION.

GORGEOUS FIREWORKS DISPLAY ASSURED.

A *China Mail* man has had a conversation with Mr. W. E. Priestley, representative of the Hitt Fireworks Co. of Seattle. The Peace Celebration Committee telegraphed to the company some time ago to send a representative with the fireworks and general pyrotechnic paraphernalia for a first class fireworks display. This brought Mr. Priestley here by the *Shingo Maru*.

The Hitt Fireworks Company is the second largest business of its kind in U.S.A. The company contracted for the fireworks displays at the Panama Pacific International Exposition in San Francisco in 1915. This was the 'biggest fireworks display' ever held. On that occasion Mr. Priestley was in sole charge of his company's interests and the fact that there were over 150 displays, covering a period of 10 months without the slightest accident, mark the Hitt Company, and Mr. Priestley, as most capable and the right people for the job here. The following extract from a letter of appreciation written to the company by Mr. Charles Moore, President of the Exposition speaks for itself:

"Your contract, which covered the period of the Exposition, February 20 to December 4 was fulfilled to the letter and we are pleased to testify to the technical ability of your men in handling the various kinds of fireworks used in your displays."

"In addition to firing over 150 displays your men handled the blowing up of several dummy forts and battleships and arranged for a number of spectacular fires. All of this work was carried out without the slightest accident to persons or property and is a record of which you may well be proud. All programmes were fired exactly as scheduled and according to orders."

"The fireworks were an innovation in pyrotechnics and proved to be one of the most attractive features of the Exposition, which fact was evidenced by the increased attendance whenever fireworks were scheduled."

Indirectly the war brought Fireworks companies into prominence in the States. They were taken over by the Government and each had particular lines of articles to supply. The Hitt Company supplied aviation signals of various kinds, and distress rockets and lifeboat signals for ships in case of torpedoing.

Last year Mr. Priestley was taken into Government service as instructor in explosives, chiefly in connection with electrical firing of illuminants. He has some of the lights coming like those used by the American troops in the field. Some of these lights are in the form of a bomb which when exploded gives forth a parachute with a magnesium torch that shows a light sufficient to illuminate our harbour. These are adapted from the lights which were used by the British to light up "No Man's Land."

About four tons of fireworks have been shipped for Hongkong from Seattle. They include hundreds of varieties, and certainly such kinds as have never been seen here before.

Mr. Priestley has visited all the fireworks factories in South China hoping to discover new varieties but found only one they had not already in use in the States and that one was unsuitable. Therefore we shall have all well-tried varieties during the peace celebrations.

A short description of some of the fireworks and explosives that will be seen during the celebrations will surely be of interest.

Signal Bombs—These give a very loud report and a bright flash. They are a big improvement on the old fashioned gunpowder bombs.

Water Fireworks—These are thrown on the water. On impact they throw large flames upon the water.

Firework Bombs—Of about 40 lbs in weight and 33 inches in circumference, these are fired from a gun and time fuzed so as to burst at a height of 500 feet in the air. Upon exploding they show the latest effects in fireworks. Some show the red, white and blue, others golden snakes, octopus, etc. There are also bombs which throw out two parachutes connected with a string of lights, the whole making a beautiful sight.

Camouflaged Burning of Lighters—Lighters are camouflaged and an arrangement of smoke bombs and red fire make it appear that the lighters are actually burning. The smoke bombs used are of the same kind as were used at the front to cover infantry attacks.

Tourbillon—This is a firework wheel that goes up in the air about 100 yards by its own power. The idea originated with the Chinese but of course has been immensely improved.

Display of Italian Colour Wheels—There is an interesting history attached to the substance of this firework which gives off a distinct whistle. Originally it was used as a vivid yellow dye and is closely related to pyrotechnics. An explosion in a dye factory led to its discontinuance as a dye and to its adoption for fireworks, explosives, etc.

Bombardment of Zebrugga—Mr. Priestley expects to display this which he considers his *piece de resistance*. This portrays with fireworks the

OPIUM ON JAPANESE SHIP.

A BIG HAUL.

At 8.30 a.m. on the 24th Chief Revenue Officer Wilden supervised a search of the *Tsok Maru*, acting on information that a large quantity of opium was concealed on board. Three men of the party were detailed to ransack the Peak store-rooms. Finding the place locked the Japanese store-keeper was commanded to produce the key. This he did, and a search was made of the room in his presence. It is alleged that when one of the officers got near a receptacle where the opium was concealed the store-keeper signalled him to refrain from searching the place. Meanwhile another Japanese also employed on board went up to the officer quietly and handed him two notes for a hundred rupees each, and asked him to keep silence. The officer informed Inspector Wilden of the affair and on searching the place came across 165 lbs. of opium.

Before Mr. R. O. Hutchison the two Japanese were remanded till Friday on a charge of being in possession of illicit opium, and with attempted bribery.

H.M.S. "WIVERN."

Messrs. J. Samuel White & Co., Ltd., East Cowes, Isle of Wight, launched another ocean-going destroyer for the Admiralty on Wednesday, April 16. This ship is the 120th steel war vessel launched by the firm, the 72nd torpedo vessel and the 42nd ocean-going destroyer, in addition to many smaller vessels and a large number of small craft. The *Wivern* is of 1,400 tons displacement and 28,000 S.H.P. Her propelling machinery, consisting of Brown-Curtis geared turbines will be built and fitted into the ship by the firm and her oil-fired boilers are to be the well-known White-Forster's Water Tube, also built by the firm. *Wivern* is now a historical name in the annals of the British Navy. During the American Civil War two turret ironclads were built by Lairds at Birkenhead to the order of the Southern States and were given the names of *Wivern* and *Scorpion*, but they were purchased by the British Admiralty to avoid trouble and expense incidental to that which occurred in the case of the *Alabama*. In course of time the *Wivern* was sent to the China Station and for many years was in commission at Hongkong as a depot ship, finally ending her career there a few years ago.

SECRET SERVICE AFTER GANG ROBBERS.

The Straits Government has at last given ear to the reiterated pleadings in connection with gang robberies in Perak, and His Excellency the High Commissioner has authorized the expenditure of \$10,000 on secret service work to track and arrest the desperadoes.

THE GOVERNORSHIP OF MACAO.

The 'Religio e Patria' of May states that Senhor Arthur Tamagnini Barbosa's abrupt dismissal from the Governorship of Macao caused no little surprise as it was scarcely seven months since he took office.

bombardment of Zebrugga. There will be the Mole, Lighthouse, Pier, and six British battleships. The latter bombard the mole and knock down the lighthouse. From the description given this seems certain to be the tit-bit of the fireworks display, and is sure to be approved for the programme by the committee.

The set designs which will make up the programme have been finally decided upon by the Peace Celebration Committee. What we have described will be but a very few of the items. There will probably be a fireworks display that will distinctly show the features of Allied celebrities, flags, mottoes, etc.

Altogether the Peace Celebration Committee seems to have assured the Colony a wonderful fireworks display in the Harbour during the Celebrations.

TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS S.S. "NEURALIA"

TENDERS conveying Passengers only (no baggage) to this vessel will leave the P. & O. Jetty at NOON, 30 and 2 P.M. on the 20th instant.

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The Victoria Theatre management intimate that there will be no half-prices at Wednesday's matinee when "A Dog's Life" will be screened. Children will be admitted at half-price except to the dress circle. In future, owing to the demands of the patrons of the Theatre there will be a matinee every Thursday.

"The Other Woman," which was screened last night, is the story of a situation in married life which is all too frequent—that where the husband finds his home life uncongenial and seeks his amusement outside, with the result eventually he finds another woman who comes to mean more to him than his wife. In life such situations are the cause of many divorces. In this play the other woman sacrifices herself in order to make the wife happy. The production is beautifully photographed and staged and grips the attention throughout. A matinee is being held on Thursday.

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Hongkong, May 27, 1919.

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Hongkong, May 27, 1919.

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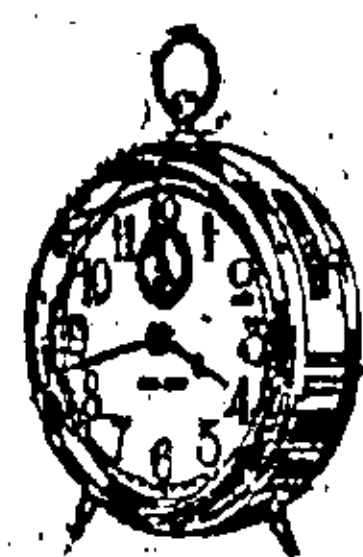
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DATE	Leave Hongkong about	Due Marseilles about	Due London about
NEUTRALIA NOVABA	26th May, at 3 p.m. 11th August	30th June 19th Sept.	4th July 15th Sept.

BOMBAY via STRAITS & COLOMBO.

S.S.	Leave Hongkong about	Due Bombay about
DELWARA	26th May at Noon	10th June

CALCUTTA via STRAITS and RANGOON.

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London & Antwerp via Suez & Panama, Colombo, Suez & Port Said.	*Aki Maru, 12,300 tons SATURDAY, 19th July, at 11 a.m.	
Melbourne via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday Is., Townsville, Brisbane, & Sydney	*Kaga Maru, 12,300 tons FRIDAY, 30th May, at Noon. *Yokohama Maru, 12,340 tons SATURDAY, 14th June, at Noon.	
New York via Japan	*Tatsuno Maru, 14,930 tons MONDAY, 26th May, at 4 p.m. (Cargo only)	
Bombay via Singapore & Colombo	*Kirin Maru, 7,760 tons TUESDAY, 27th May. *Kosoku Maru, 7,760 tons SATURDAY, 14th June.	
Calcutta via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon	*Rangoon Maru, 11,440 tons WEDNESDAY, 29th June.	

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San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Ferria Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 15th June.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Venezuela	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	On 15th June, at Noon.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	China	China Mail S.S. Co., Ltd.	On 2nd July.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Nacklar	China Mail S.S. Co., Ltd.	On 14th June.
Sweden, Finland, Vancouver & San Francisco	Western Knight	The Admiralty Line	About 15th June.
Victoria, Vancouver, Seattle & Tacoma	Canada Maru	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	On 7th June.
Victoria B.C. & Seattle via Shanghai &c.	Fushimi Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 22nd June at 11 a.m.
Yokohama via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Empress of Asia	Canadian O.S. Ltd.	On 12th June.
Yokohama via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Empress of Japan	Canadian O.S. Ltd.	On 25th June.
Sydney & Melbourne	Nankai Maru	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	On 1st June.
Australian Ports via Manila	Tango Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 25th June, at 11 a.m.
New York via Suez	Ryo Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 15th July.
Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Yokohama Maru	Yokohama S.S. Co., Ltd.	On 2nd June.
Shanghai	Kwongsang	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 1st June, at Noon.
Shanghai	Suiyang	Butterfield & Swire	On 29th May, at Noon.
Shanghai	Daitoku Maru	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	On 2nd June.
Straits & Calcutta	Fooksang	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 31st May, at 3 p.m.
Haiphong, Chefoo, Newchwang & Tain	Butterfield & Swire	Butterfield & Swire	On 22nd May, at Noon.
Keelung via Swatow and Amoy	Li ngehaw	Butterfield & Swire	On 3rd June, at Noon.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haiphong	Douglas Laprak & Co., Ltd.	On 1st June, at 10 a.m.
Manila	Longsang	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 30th May, at 1 p.m.
Java	Banri Maru	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	On 12th June.
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Important Announcement

Walter E. Olsen & Co. Buy Largest Cigar Factory in Manila
from Allen Property Custodian U. S.

The world famous El Oriente Cigar Factory of Manila, Philippine Islands, has passed into American hands. The Allen Property Custodian announces the sale to Walter E. Olsen and Company. El Oriente Cigar Factory has been established since 1883 and is well and favorably known here. Every detail of manufacture, from the cultivation and care of the tobacco, to the clean and careful handling in the most modern and sanitary factories, has been carefully studied, with the result that the products of the factory enjoy a world wide and enviable reputation.

The policy of the owners will be to maintain the same high standard of quality that has made El Oriente cigars a by-word for good smokes throughout this country. The warehouses of the company contain more than three million gross worth of tobacco, carefully selected and of the highest quality. This in itself is a resumé of a mild uniform blend, that from a point of quality and aroma is unexcelled.

The Governor-General of the Philippine Islands has sanctioned the issuance of the following statement, in order that the smoking public of China may be put in possession of the facts concerning the El Oriente Cigar Factory:

Office of the Governor-General of the Philippine Islands
Manila, Feb. 18, 1919.

To whom it may concern:

The Governor-General of the Philippine Islands has received the following explanatory letter from Mr. Douglas M. Moffat, Managing Director for the Philippine Islands of the Allen Property Custodian of the United States of America:

United States of America, the Allen Property Custodian
Office of the Managing Director in the Philippines, Manila.

Dear Sir:

At the request of Walter E. Olsen and Company, I beg to advise you that the El Oriente Cigar Factory and business, as a going concern, was sold by me, as representative of the Allen Property Custodian of the United States, at public sale to the Walter E. Olsen Company, the highest bidder therefor. The sale has been confirmed by the Washington office of the Custodian and the Olsen Company has paid the purchase price, and is now in possession of, and operating the factory and business.

The Olsen Company is a corporation organized under the laws of the Philippine Islands and all of its stockholders are American citizens. The company is now in possession of, and operating the factory and business, and is now in possession of, and operating the factory and business, and is now in possession of, and operating the factory and business.

Yours very truly,
(Sgd.) DOUGLAS MOFFAT,
Managing Director for the Philippine Islands.

The Governor-General,
Manila, P. I.

I hereby certify to the authenticity of the signature of Mr. Douglas M. Moffat, Managing Director for the Philippine Islands of the Allen Property Custodian, as the original of the above quoted letter which is on file in this office. I further certify that the records of the Division of Archives, Patents, Copyrights, and Trade Marks of the Philippine Government show that Walter E. Olsen and Company is a Philippine corporation duly organized under the laws of the Philippine Islands and that all of its stockholders are citizens of the United States of America.

By authority of the Governor-General,
(Sgd.) J. L. IRWIN,
Secretary to the Gov. Gen.

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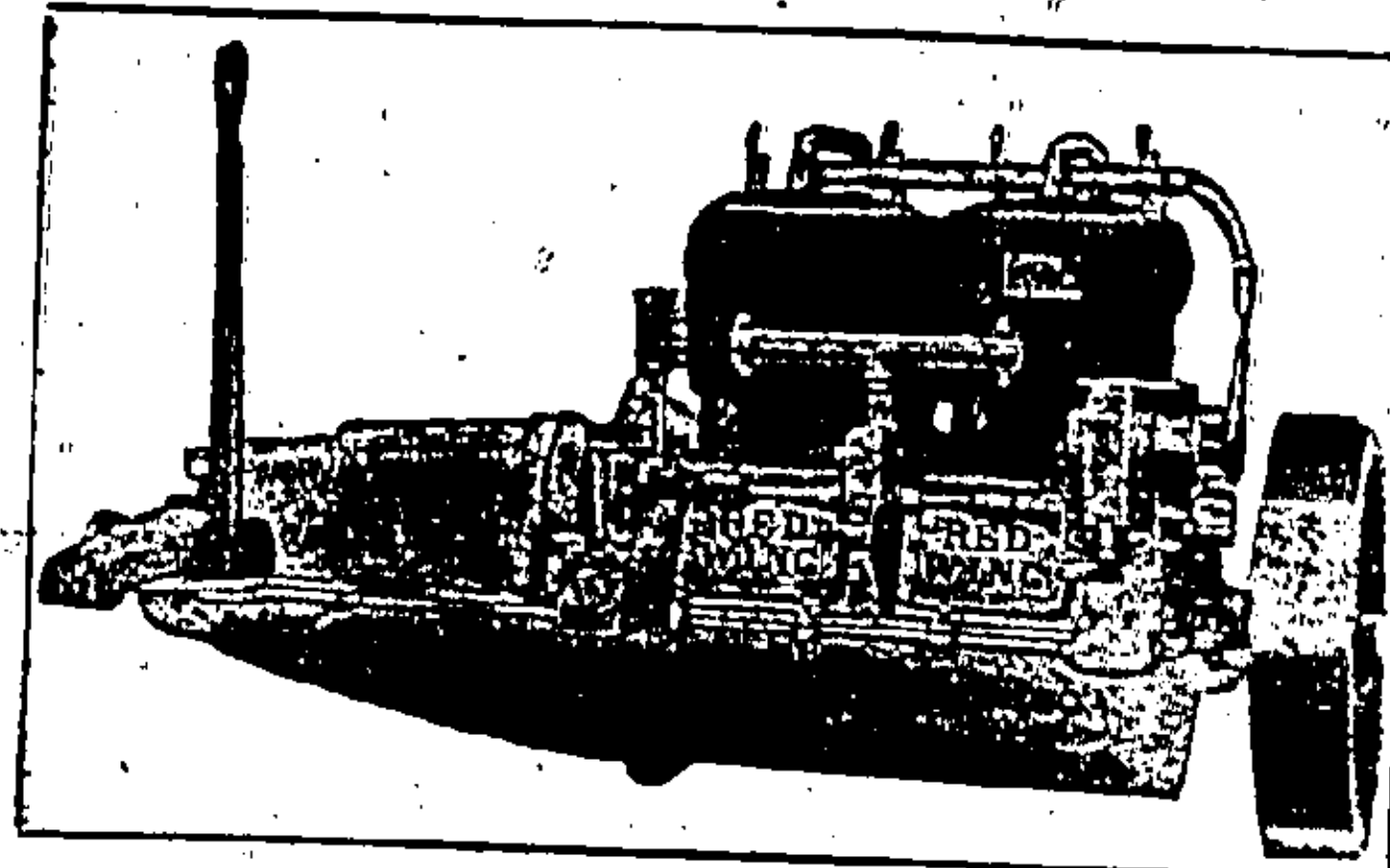
T. K. YUNG, General Manager.
Head Office: Telephone 1953. Cable Address: Mowsing.

NOTICES.

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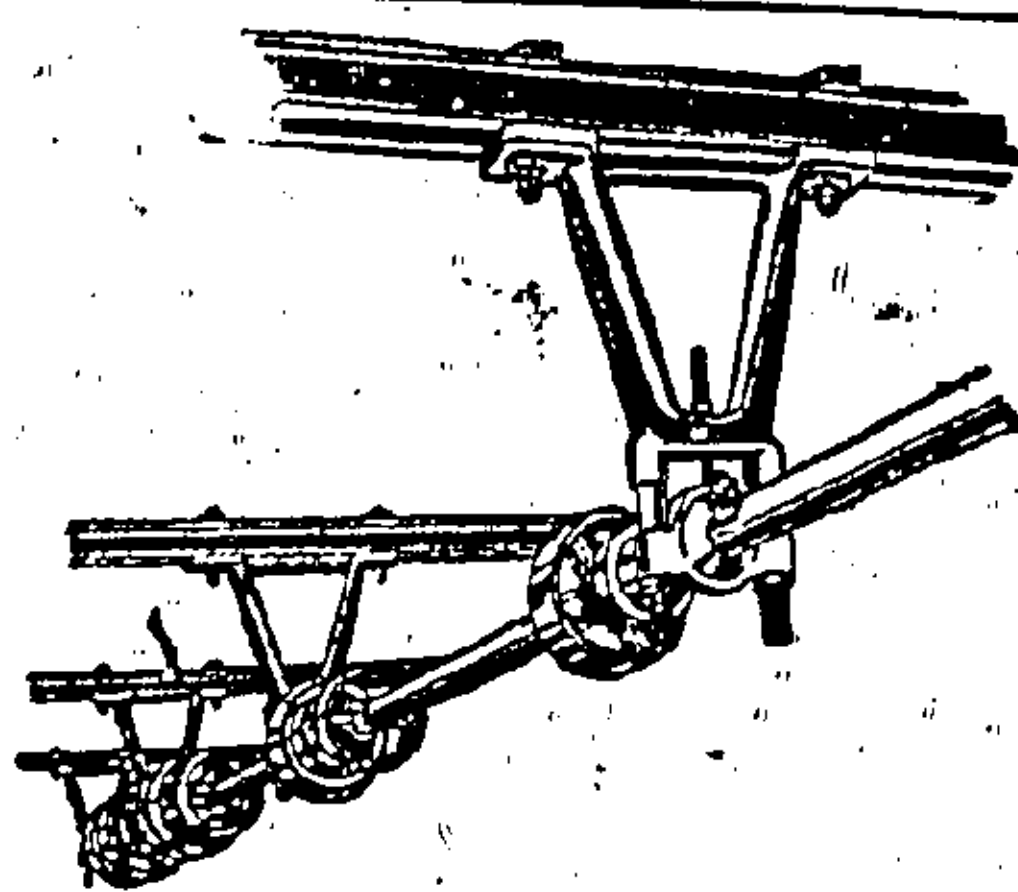


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Allied soldiers in the various hospitals in Siberia are badly in need of reading matter. Any books, newspapers, etc. for their use handed in at the G.P.O. will be packed and forwarded to them free.

The parcel post service to Cuba is suspended.

It is notified that all restrictions as to the use of wireless telegraphy by Merchant Vessels on the China Station have been abolished.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

No unofficial letter addressed to Abbas, Alwas or Mohammara in the Persian Gulf may exceed eight ounces in weight.

The insured letter and insured parcel services between Egypt (or in transit through Egypt) and Cyprus are temporarily suspended.

Uninsured parcels for the United Kingdom will in future be forwarded from Hongkong in bags and the Public are therefore advised to pack such parcels very carefully.

In the case of Mails closing before 9 a.m. Registration closes at 8 o'clock on the previous evening.

INWARD MAILS.

THURSDAY, May 29.
Japan—Per KAGA MARU.
Europe (via Negapatam)—Per TAJITA ROEM.

OUTWARD MAILS.

WEDNESDAY, May 29.
Weihaiwei, Chefoo and Tientsin—Per HUICHOW, 11 a.m.
Shanghai and North China—Per TIANAN, 11 a.m.

THURSDAY, May 29.
Swatow and Straits—Per CHENG TU, 11 a.m.
Shanghai and North China—Per SUNNING, 11 a.m.

FRIDAY, May 30.
Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE via SUEZ—Per KAGA MARU, 10.30 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

SWATOW, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAIHONG, 1 p.m.
Philippine Islands—Per LOONGSANG, 2 p.m.

SATURDAY, May 31.
Japan via Nagasaki, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via S.A.N. FRANCISCO—Per SOERAKARTA, 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE via SUEZ—Per MENTOR, 11.45 a.m. Letters 12.30 a.m.

The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, May 30, at 5 p.m.
Shanghai and North China—Per KWANGSE, 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, June 1.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keelung—Per KALJO MARU, 9 a.m.

TUESDAY, June 3.
Swatow and Bangkok—Per LIANG CHOW, 9 a.m.
Philippine Islands—Per TAMING, 9 a.m.

THURSDAY, June 6.
Shanghai and North China—Per SUIYANG, 11 a.m.

SATURDAY, June 7.
Shanghai and North China—Per CHENAN, 5 p.m.

ARRIVALS.

May 27.
BURMA MARU, Jap., 2,833 tons, from Kobe, Capt. Imai, O.S.K., Kowloon.
WINE, PAK WO, Chi., 1,147 tons, from Canton, Capt. Hamblin, Kwong Hing, C.P.
KWANGTAH, Chi., 1,536 tons, from Canton, Capt. O. Stewart, C.M. S.N. Co., Wharf.
TIBODAS, Dutch, 2,606 tons, from Amoy, Capt. Van Buren Scheele, J.C.J.L., A.S.
MING SHUN, Chi., 868 tons, from Canton, Capt. Novil, S.P. S.N. Co., C42.
SAMUI MARU, Jap., 1,193 tons, from Wuhu, Capt. Matsuo, Y.K.K., B.S.
MOGAMI MARU, Jap., 1,337 tons, from Karatsu, Capt. T. Goto, Y.K.K., C33.

CLEARANCES.

May 27.
TAIKOO, Brit., 6 a.m., for Swatow, Taikoo Dock.
KIRIN MARU, Jap., 10 a.m., for Bombay, N.Y.K.
IDOMENEUS, Brit., 11.30 a.m., for Shanghai via Yokohama, B. & S.
KWAI WAH, Chi., 7 a.m., for Tourane via Quinhon, Wai Hing.
KWEILIN, Brit., 7 a.m., for Wuhu, B. & S.
HOPSONG, Brit., 9 a.m., for Shanghai via Swatow, J.M. & Co.
ROKOSAN MARU, Jap., 8 a.m., for Hongkong, M.B.K.
GANGES MARU, Jap., 7 a.m., for Singapore, O.S.K.
KANSU, Brit., noon, for Shanghai, B. & S.
BURMA MARU, Jap., 4 p.m., for Singapore, O.S.K.
HAITAN, Brit., 2 p.m., for Foochow via Swatow, D.L. & Co.

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SHIPS DUE TO ARRIVE.

FROM EUROPE.

The s.s. TALTHEYUS, May 26 and leaves for Shanghai and Taku May 27.
The s.s. IDOMENEUS, May 30 and leaves for Shanghai and Japan May 31.
The s.s. NINGCHOW, June 8 and leaves for Shanghai and Japan June 9.
The s.s. TYDEUS, June 15 and leaves for Shanghai June 16.

FROM SHANGHAI.

The s.s. AMUR MARU, due here from Shanghai June 2 and leaves for London and Antwerp, calling at Marseilles June 3.
The s.s. ANDES MARU, due here from Shanghai June 10 and leaves for London and Antwerp June 11.

FROM JAPAN.

The s.s. NAGOYA, leaves Yokohama August 9 and is due here August 20.
The s.s. MALTA, leaves Yokohama August 23 and is due here September 3.
The s.s. MENTOR, leaves Yokohama May 17 and is due here June 3.
The s.s. RHESUS, leaves Yokohama May 31 and is due here June 17.
The s.s. TALTHEYUS, leaves Yokohama June 14 and is due here July 1.
The s.s. IDOMENEUS, leaves Yokohama June 29 and is due here July 17.

The s.s. STENTOR, leaves Yokohama May 24 and is due here June 10 and leaves for Liverpool.
The s.s. TEUCER, leaves Yokohama June 7 and is due here June 24 and leaves for Liverpool.
The s.s. ARRATON APCAR, leaves Kobe May 30, due here June 6 and leaves for Calcutta June 7.

The s.s. NINGCHOW, leaves Yokohama June 21 and is due here July 8 and leaves for Liverpool.
The s.s. KOREA MARU, due here from Nagasaki June 18 and leaves for San Francisco June 26.

FROM JAVA.

The s.s. BORNEO MARU, due here from Java ports June 11 and leaves for Japan ports June 14.
The s.s. HOKUTO MARU, due here from Java ports June 21 and leaves for Japan ports June 24.
The s.s. RIOTUN MARU, due here from Java ports July 4 and leaves for Japan ports July 7.
The s.s. BANRI MARU, due here from Java ports July 23 and leaves for Japan ports July 26.
The s.s. BORNEO MARU, due here from Java ports August 23 and leaves for Japan ports August 31.
The s.s. HOKUTO MARU, due here from Java ports September 9 and leaves for Japan ports September 12.

FROM MANILA.

The s.s. PROTOSILAUS, leaves Manila June 27, due here June 29 and leaves for Kobe, Yokohama and Seattle July 3.
The s.s. TYNDAREUS, leaves Manila July 27, due here July 29 and leaves for Kobe, Yokohama and Seattle July 31.
The s.s. TENYO MARU, due here July 14 and leaves for San Francisco July 21.
The s.s. SIBERIA MARU, due here July 23 and leaves for San Francisco July 30.

FROM LONDON.

The s.s. NORE, leaves London May 29, due here July 7 and leaves for Shanghai and Japan July 8.
The s.s. NOVARA, leaves London June 5, due here July 21 and leaves for Shanghai and Japan July 22.

FROM AMERICA.

The s.s. PROTOSILAUS, leaves Seattle May 29, due here June 16 and leaves for Manila May 14.
The s.s. TYNDAREUS, leaves Seattle June 16, due here July 11 and leaves for Manila July 17.

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